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In re Application of :
John C. Harvey and James W. Cuddihy : Examiner: *R. Logan*
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For **SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claims:

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2. A method of communicating programming to subscribers in a network, said network comprising one or more programming origination stations, a plurality of intermediate transmission stations, and a plurality of subscriber stations, each intermediate transmission station receiving programming from an origination station and retransmitting said received programming to at least one subscriber station, said method comprising the steps of: